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USDOC FOR 3132 FOR FCS/OIO REGIONAL DIRECTOR PATRICK SANTILLO
BICE FOR OFFICE OF STRATEGIC INVESTIGATIONS

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SUBJECT: EXTRANCHECK: PRE LICENSE CHECK: A&P INSTRUMENT CO. LTD.

REF: A) BIS e-mail request dated May 6, 2009 B) HK 01663, (2007) C)
HK 00150 (2007)

¶1. Unauthorized disclosure of the information provided below is prohibited by Section 12C of the Export Administration Act.

¶2. As per reftel A request and at the direction of the Office of Enforcement Analysis (OEA) of the USDOC Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS), Export Control Officer Philip Ankel (ECO), accompanied by Commercial Assistant Carrie Chan, conducted a post shipment verification (PSV) at A&P Instrument Co. Ltd. (A&P), Unit 1, Kam Hon Industrial Building, 8 Wang Kwun Road, Kowloon Bay, Hong Kong. The items in question are two centrifugal pumps classified under Export Control Classification Number (ECCN) 2B350 and the subject of BIS license application D416901. The license applicant is Cole-Parmer Instrument Company of Vernon Hills, Illinois.

¶3. A review of the Hong Kong Companies Registry reveals that the A&P's main corporate information has not changed since the EUCs referenced in reftels B and C.

¶4. The ECO visited A&P at the address referenced above on May 15, 2009 and met with Mr. Andy Wu, Senior Manager. Mr. Wu provided documentation confirming that the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology had ordered the items (as well as a number of additional items). Commercial Assistant Carrie Chan subsequently called the HKUST directly to confirm the order. S.W. Woo of the University's Department of Mechanical Engineering confirmed the order.

¶5. Mr. Wu is quite familiar with U.S. export/reexport controls after having been visited twice before by ECO and after having attended a BIS export controls event in 2008 in Hong Kong.

¶6. At the time visited, A&P appeared to be a suitable recipient of U.S. origin controlled commodities (as reseller).